

Sushi School Lunches

Starting Friday 12th February

I am planning to trial the re-introduction of school lunches every **Friday**.

To simplify things the selection will be limited to sushi, and will hopefully be fairly economical and healthy. Each sushi order will also come with a wrapped medium-size Cookie Time biscuit (gluten-free option also available – please specify), and a piece of fruit (usually apple or orange, but may vary with the seasons)

Orders need to be in by Friday 9am. There will be a labelled basket in the office to place orders. Please write your order on the front of an envelope with your child's name, and enclose the correct money. Please specify sushi size and filling.

Prices: Small sushi (4 pieces) + biscuit + fruit = \$5

Large sushi (8 pieces) + biscuit + fruit = \$8

Filling options - tuna, vegetarian, teriyaki chicken, salmon, mixed

As this is initially a trial, I would appreciate your feedback (positive or negative!) particularly with regard to portion size or pricing. I would also like a couple of helpers to call on for the occasional Friday when I am unavailable – I don't anticipate it being too time-consuming. Please give me a call if you can help.

Ph 348 8167 or 021-919194. Thanks.

Caroline Morrison

MARIST HOCKEY CLUB

Trials for 11A side and Super 8 (Boys and Girls primary teams) will be held at Nunweek Park from Sunday 28th of February, 10.00am to 12.00pm

Registration day for the 2010 season is at Nunweek Park on Sunday 7th March from 3.00pm to 5.00pm.

Please check our website www.maristhockey.co.nz or contact Angela Baker, ph:3545975, email

steveangelab@xtra.co.nz or Tracey Hughes, ph:3555447, email p_t.hughes@paradise.net.nz

Coming Events

February

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| Tues 9 th | 9.00 am Rosary in the Church |
| Wed 10 th | PFA Meeting 7.00 pm |
| Wed 10 – Fri 12 | Y6 Cycle Safe |
| Fri 12 th | R2 Assembly |
| Mon 15 th | Meet the Teacher Evening |
| Tues 16 th | Mufti Day – Bottle Tombola, 9.00 am Rosary in the Church |
| Wed 17 th | Ash Wednesday |
| Fri 19 th | Assembly R3, Rms 1 & 3 Swimming at Wharenui |
| Tues 23 rd | 9.00 am Rosary in the Church |
| Thurs 25 th | Rms 5 & 6 Class Mass |
| Fri 26 th | Assembly R4, Rms 1 & 3 Swimming at Wharenui |

March

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| Tues 2 nd | 9.00 am Rosary in the Church |
| Fri 5 th | No Assembly, Swimming Sports at Jellie Park 12.30 – 3.00 pm |
| Tues 9 th | 9.00 am Rosary in the Church |
| Wed 10 th | Zone Swimming Sports |
| Thurs 11 th | Mufti Day – Bottle Tombola, Class Mass Rms 1 & 3 |
| Fri 12 th | Assembly R5, Rms 1 & 3 Swimming at Wharenui |
| Tues 16 th | 9.00 am Rosary in the Church |
| Wed 17 th | St Patrick's Day |
| Fri 19 th | Assembly R6, Rms 1 & 3 Swimming at Wharenui |
| Sun 21 st | School Mass, School Fair |
| Tues 23 rd | Reconciliation Rms 1, 2, 3 & 7, 9.00 am Rosary in the Church |
| Thurs 25 th | Rm 2 Class Mass |
| Fri 26 th | Assembly R7, No swimming, Wharenui Pool closed |
| Tues 30 th | 9.00 am Rosary in the Church |

St Patrick's School Bryndwr

Te Kura O Hato Patariki

'Called to Shine.'



Weekly Newsletter

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Friday 5th February 2010

<http://www.stpatricks.school.nz>

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome



A warm welcome to all our new students:

Erika Ramirez, Hugh Parkes and Daniel Evans (New Entrants)

Joseph Klopper, Tom and Trinity Bennie, Sam, Gemma and Luke Sherry

Lauren, Samuel and Kate Wield (from Australia)

Finn, Eryn and Jenna Montocchio (returned from Australia)

Han Young (Kevin) and Hanbi Lee, Taeksoo (Thomas) Kim, Yu Jin (Rachel) and Kyu An (June) Han all from Korea .

It was wonderful seeing the children's smiling faces entering the gate on Tuesday, All were eager to get back into their classroom and catch up with their friends.

On Tuesday we also welcomed 20 new students to the school. This included 5 new students from Korea, 12 students transferring from other schools (including Australia) and 3 new entrants. On behalf of the school community I would like to welcome these students and their families to St Patrick's I am sure that they will enjoy their time with us.

I would also like to welcome Greg Brown to the school. Mr Brown has transferred from Kirkwood Intermediate and will be teaching the Year 7/8 students in Room 2 this year.

Board News

At the end of 2010, two of the School's Proprietors representatives of the Board of Trustees changed. The school said farewell to both Barbara Churstain and Angela Baker who had served a number of years on the Board. On behalf of the St Patrick's Community I would like to thank them for their dedication and wisdom as Trustees.

The Bishop notified the Board of Trustees early this year that he had appointed two new representatives to the Board of Trustees. As a result the Board of Trustees welcomed Phillip Cowley and Claire Stanley to their ranks.

The Board of Trustees had a very busy start to the year. Their first meeting was held in mid-January with a presentation focusing on Education in the 21st century from Daniel Birch Principal from Discovery One School in Christchurch. Much of the information presented at the meeting challenged more traditional learning philosophies and provided the Trustees with many ideas to think about.

The following week both the Board and staff met to review and redevelop the School's Strategic Plan. Maureen Kerr from the Catholic Education Office facilitated this meeting. Work on the strategic plan will be a Board focus for the next month. During our strategic discussion both the Board and staff reflected on the information gathered through the 2008 and 2009 community surveys. Details relating to the redeveloped strategic plan will be published in the school newsletter later this term.

Library Position

At the end of 2009 Jacqui Thom resigned from her librarian position. As a result this position has recently been advertised in The Press. We are looking for a person who enjoys working with children, has an interest in children's literature and is confident at using a computer. If you are interested in applying for this position please contact the school office for an application pack. Applications close 12 February 2010.

New Sports Uniform

The new sports uniform came into affect as from the start of the year. The uniform consists of trainers, white sport socks, white rugby style shorts, and the new PE top. If weather is cold students may wear plain navy track pants, their polar fleece or their grey school jersey (boys), Navy blue cardigan (girls).

We apologise for not being able to provide the new PE top this week. Our suppliers have been very slow at delivering the order. Anne ordered the PE tops last year and has been phoning them since we started back at school three weeks ago.

The introduction of the new PE top is intended to be used every time children are involved in physical exercise. This may include daily usage in some classrooms. However the uniform is compulsory on Fridays and on special sporting events.

If you have any questions regarding the uniform, please do not hesitate to contact the classroom teachers or enquire at the office.

School Uniform

Please ensure that children come to school appropriately dressed. The school uniform is compulsory.

Girls' summer – Black shoes or sandals, white socks, uniform pinafore, and navy blue cardigan or polar fleece. It would also be appreciated if girls with hair past their shoulders had their hair tied back.

Boys' summer – Black shoes or sandals, grey socks, lightweight grey shorts, uniform polo shirt and grey jersey or polar fleece.

As has been the practice for many years, students are required to wear their full uniform (including the black shoes or sandals) to and from school. Students may bring trainers to school to change into for interval and lunchtime.

Home and School Information

Regular and ongoing communication between home and school is very important. A close partnership between parents and teachers will ensure your child gets the best education available. Please do not hesitate to come into school and enter the classrooms or talk to the teachers. Parents need to feel that they can immediately approach their children's teacher with regard to concerns or questions they have regarding their children's education.

Anne and I are also available in the office to help out with any questions or administrative issues you may have. The school office is open from 8.30am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

There of course are many other methods of communicating with the school.

Phone – When you ring the school you will be given three options. If you want to leave an absentee message please dial 1. However if a special event is happening and you want to know if it is cancelled please dial 2 to hear school messages. If you want to speak to someone in the office please dial 3.

School Website – www.stpatricks.school.nz - We are becoming better and better at putting more essential information on the website. At present parents can access the latest newsletter using the newsletter link. Those paper hungry Risk Management Plans will now also be placed on the Risk Management link. Stationery and uniform and term dates are also posted and can be accessed using the links available. If there is any other information you would like placed on the website, please let me know and I will see what we can do.

Email – All employees at St Patrick's School have a school email address. Email addresses are listed on the school website. Please feel free to use email to contact the teachers, Anne or me.

As from today the weekly newsletter will also be sent home automatically via the email. It is now becoming common practice in many schools to give access to their school newsletter by this method. A paperless newsletter would save the school thousands of dollars. The logistics of sending the newsletters home to some families email and other in hard copy are very difficult. As a result it is my plan in 2011 to stop sending paper copies of the newsletter home. However paper copies will be available from the school office.

Aaron Richards

An invitation to come together to pray the Rosary – Everyone is welcome

An open invitation to come together as a school & parish community, to pray for the sick & for all of the special intentions of those in our community.

9:00am every Tuesday in term time, St Mathews Church (approx 25mins) All welcome. You don't need to be familiar with the Rosary to join in pray.

Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three meet in my name, I am there among them."